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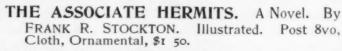
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IN THE CORN-FIELD STUBBLE.

#### Novels That Are Being Talked About.

NOVELS that are generally talked about may not always be of the highest literary merit, vet they must have some special quality, intellectual or otherwise, to pique curiosity and arouse interest. Not to have read them places us in the position of not knowing the latest news. Our intention is to give some account of the more recent works of fiction that have met with wide discussion and have sold largely, so that summer tourists or migrators to summer homes may have a slight guide in chosing books to carry away with them. Novels, good, bad and indifferent, are the chief literary fruits of the present season. They are being turned out by the presses in overwhelming numbers. We shall make no attempt to be critical, nor shall we name the novels in the order of their merit. Our readers may rely upon it, however, that all that we do name will be found extremely readable. Whether in all cases the reader will be made "better" by the reading we cannot insure. That he will be made "happier" is almost a certainty-for, whatever his choice may be, he is sure to be entertained.

On the top wave of popularity just at present is "David Harum," by Edward Noyes Westcott, written out of the author's own experience as a country banker for at least fifty years in Central New York. The book appeals more strongly to the masculine intellect, which has found it a rich mine of humor. Mr. Westcott, sad to record, did not live to know of the success of his one novel.

Another author who has captured the public with a first book is Charles Major, who wrote under the pen-name of Edwin Caskoden. His work, "When Knighthood Was in Flower," is

a romantic story of the reign of Henry the Eighth, rich in historical details and one of the prettiest love tales of the Middle Ages yet written. The selfishness of the rich and the hopelessness of the very poor find picturesque treatment in "No. 5 John St.," by Richard Whiteing. The address stands for a lodging-house in the slums of London, in which a wealthy young baronet sometimes sought a home in pursuit of his socialistic studies. The story particularly lends itself to discussion.

Ellen Thorneycroft Fowler's first novel, "Concerning Isabel Carnaby," quickly won its way with readers of fiction. Though not without faults, its freshness and originality outweigh defects. The wit of its dialogue and its pleasant humor make it delightful reading. second novel by Miss Fowler, called "A Double Thread," has recently been issued. again we are met with the extreme modernity of thoughts that so charms in "Isabel Carnaby," and also with an embarrassment of riches almost in epigrammatic sayings and repartee. Both novels are strong in character delineations taken from English middle-class life and fashionable life. The first book presents a very pleasant and apparently true picture of a Noncomformist family. Beatrice Harraden has just finished "The Fowler," upon which she has worked for a number of years. It is more elaborate than "Ships That Pass in the Night," but possesses like that novel a morbid strain. Its scene is laid in England, and it is largely a character study of a most disagreeable young man, whose mesmeric or hypnotic power is used unscrupulously. Miss Harraden recalls an American writer, Miss Ellen Glasgow, a Southern girl, whose knowl-

edge of the seamy side of life is as marvellous as her own. Miss Glasgow's reputation was made but a short time ago with "The Descendent." Her recent novel is called "Phases of an Inferior Planet," a fourth or fifth rate Bohemia in New York City being the "inferior planet." Poor authors, struggling artists, impecunious journalists, and starving scientists are the characters. An intense love-story told with painful truthfulness has its rise and fall in this environment. The Ibsen influence is even more strongly marked in "The Open Question" than in either of the former novels. C. E. Raimond, the name that appears on the title-page, is the pseudonym of Elizabeth Robins, an American woman living in England, who has personated on the stage several of the characters of Ibsen's dramas. Her book deals with heredity, and is a special plea against the marriage of near relations and persons suffering from incurable disease. The argument is cleverly and strongly presented, but the question remains an open question at the end. Sad as is the subject, and hopelessly as it is treated, the book nevertheless abounds in most enjoyable reading-matter, and is a notably intellectual effort. The character drawing is incisive and picturesque, while the wit and wisdom in which the conversations are so rich make the rereading of many of the pages an unalloyed pleasure.

Mrs. Gertrude Atherton's "A Daughter of the Vine" is another "heredity" story, with a background of California life in the forties. "The Californians," a more cheerful story from her clever pen, deals altogether with the love affairs and social triumphs of two pretty girls. Frank Norris became known to novelreaders within the year by his "Moran of the Lady Letty." His latest and much talked about story is "McTeague." Sordid life in San Francisco, with characters taken from the lowest stratum of society, whose ignorance and vulgarity are emphasized by their love of money and pursuit of it, are what he there writes about. Mr. Frank Norris belongs to the realistic school, his Zola-like touches leaving nothing unknown of the repulsiveness of his subject. As an antidote to these pessimistic estimates of life we offer Maurice Hewlett's charming story of "The Forest Lovers," as innocent and delightful as a fairy tale, and Miss Mary Johnston's "Prisoners of Hope," both marked successes of the year, the latter being a fresh and vigorous story of Virginia in 1663, when Sir William Berkeley was Governor. "Poor Human Naof Wagner's music, is a most interesting story footlights and in private life. Music lovers carefully consult the advertising pages.

have a treat before them in reading the book. Mrs. Barr's "I, Thou, and the Other One" is a love-tale of the closing days of the reign of George IV. and of the beginning of the reign of William IV. "The Dull Miss Archinard," by Anne Douglas Sedgwick, and "The Confounding of Camelia," by the same author, are charming stories of English home life. Mrs. Burton Harrison's "Good Americans" and "A Triple Entanglement" have been widely read; they show intimate knowledge of the ways of good society in two continents. Lily Dougall's "The Mormon Prophets" weaves a romantic narrative around Joseph Smith, the founder of Mormonism, aiming seemingly to place both the prophet and his religion in a better light. The motive of "A Tent of Grace," by Adelina C. Lust, is the deep gulf of racial distinction that existed between the Christian and the Jew in Germany about the middle of the century. "A Duet," by Conan Doyle, is quite a departure from his usual style, being a simple domestic story charmingly told of the first year in a young couple's married life. Howells's "Ragged Lady" goes back to his early hunting ground, New England, and to his favorite New England girl. Selma Lagerlöf, a Swedish writer, has only recently had her works translated into English. Her acquaintance may be made through two remarkable novels-"Story of Gösta Berling" and "The Miracles of Antichrist," which are full of a loving kindness to all humanity. "Red Rock," by Thomas Nelson Page, is a romance of Virginia in the days of reconstruction directly after the Civil War. Picturesque romances of pure adventure are included in Munro's "John Splendid," S. R. Crockett's "The Black Douglas," Weyman's "The Castle Inn," Rider Haggard's "Swallow," Gras's "The Terror," Anthony Hope's "Rupert of Hentzau," and Richard Harding Davis's "The King's Jackal."

Among volumes of short stories that have attracted special attention, Kipling's "The Day's Work" may be first mentioned. Others in this line containing entertaining readingmatter are Long's fascinating tales of Japanese life under the title of "Madame Butterfly," Miss Brown's "Tiverton Tales," Mrs. Burnham's "A West Point Wooing," Yeats' "Heart of Denise," Wildman's "Tales of the Malayan Coast," and Williams' "The Stolen Story."

The prices of all these novels quoted may be found further on under lists of "Books for Summer Travellers," with a special heading-"The New Novels." Attention is also called ture," by E. Godfrey, apparently a great lover to lists in this department giving new works on nature, books of travel and adventure, outdoor of a German tenor and prima donna before the sports and exercises, etc. Readers should also

#### The Beginnings of Our Navy.

From Churchill's "Richard Carvel." (Macmillan.)

"I AM now on my way to Philadelphia to obtain a commission in the navy soon to be born."
Mr. Chase smiled. John Paul little suspected that he was a member of the Congress.

"This is news indeed, Mr. Jones," he said.
"I have yet to hear of the birth of this infant navy, for which we have not yet begun to make

swaddling clothes."

"We are not yet an infant state, sir," Mr. Carroll put in, with a shade of rebuke. For Maryland was well content with the government she had enjoyed, and her best patriots long after shunned the length of secession. "I believe and pray that the king will come to his senses. And as for the navy, it is folly. How can we hope to compete with England on the sea?"

"All great things must have a beginning, sir," replied John Paul, launching forth at once, nothing daunted by such cold conservatism. What Israelite brickmaker of Pharaoh's dreamed of Solomon's temple? Nay,

Moses himself had no conception of it. And God will send us our pillars of cloud and of fire. No fight ever was won by man or nation content with half a victory. We have forests to build an hundred armadas, and I will command a fleet and it is given me."

"I' faith, I believe you, sir," cried Captain Daniel, with admiration.

"What plan would you pursue, sir?" asked Mr. Chase.

"What plan, sir!" said Captain John Paul, those wonderful eyes of his alight. "In the first place, we Americans build the fastest ships in the world—yours of the Chesapeake are as fleet as any. Here, if I am not mistaken, one

hundred and eighty two were built in the year '71. They are idle now. To them I would issue letters of marque, to harry England's trade. From Carolina to Maine we have the wood and iron to build cruisers, in harbors that may not easily be got at. And skilled masters and seamen to elude the enemy."

"But a navy must be organized, sir. It must be an unit," objected Mr. Carroll. "And you would not for many years have force enough,

or discipline enough, to meet England's navy."

"I would never meet it, sir," he re-plied instant-ly. "That would be the height of folly. I would divide our forces into small, swiftsailing squadrons of sufficientstrength to repel his cruisers. And I would carry the war straight into his unprotected ports of trade. I can name a score of such defenceless places, and I know every shoal of their harbors. For example, Whitehaven might be entered. That is a town of fifty thou-sand inhabitants. The fleet of merchantmen might with the greatest ease be destroyed, a contribution levied, and Ireland'scoal



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A PICNIC ON THE WATER.

cut off for a winter. The whole of the shipping might be swept out of the Clyde. Newcastle is another likely place, and in almost any of the Irish ports valuable vessels may be found. The Baltic and West Indian fleets are to be intercepted. I have reflected upon these matters for years, gentlemen. And I'll warrant you cannot conceive the havoc and consternation their fulfilment would spread in England."

If the divine power of genius ever made itself felt, 'twas on that May evening, in the Annapolis Coffee House. I myself witnessed two able and cautious statesmen of a cautious province thrilled to the pitch of enthusiasm by this strange young man of eight and twenty.

#### BLUE SKY AND BLUER SEA.

From Bates's "Under the Beech-tree." (Houghton, Mifflin.)

Blue sky and bluer sea, And harebell at my feet; Blue yet more utterly, Why is your hue so sweet?

What fibre of my soul Thrills at your loveliness? Why should a tint control My heart like a caress?

Blue sky and bluer sea. And harebell at my feet; How can mere color be Beyond all telling sweet?

#### A Negative and a Positive Ritualist.

From Mason's "A Wind Flower." (American Baptist Pub. Soc.)

EUNICE was reading aloud to her father with all gravity, but with languid interest, certain passages from "Barclay's Apology." Lifting her eyes, she saw Father Norman approaching. She had not spoken with him since Sunday.

He addressed Moses Herendean in kindly greeting, and the old man held his hand a moment in his cold, delicate fingers, looking up with kindly, musing scrutiny.

"Let me see," he said, "thy name is —?"
"Francis Norman," was the quick response, and Eunice noted the bright, unconstrained smile which lighted up the clergyman's face. "I am almost a neighbor of yours, Mr. Herendean; that is, I am from Coalport, and I have

known of your family for years."
"Not Mr. Herendean, if thee pleases," said the old man gently; "simply Moses Herendean is what I wished to be called."

"Pardon me, I should have remembered,"

replied the other.
"Eunice has been telling me something of thee, Francis Norman," continued the Friend, bowing a quiet acknowledgment. "I understand that thee preaches in the stone meetinghouse on Minster Street; was thy father Edward Norman, the lawyer?

It was to be noticed that while his daughters used the "plain language" only in their own family, Moses Herendean used it to all alike.

After a reply in the affirmative, Francis Norman proposed that they should take a short walk together and discuss the points of family history which were of common interest. Moses Herendean rose with a word of apology for his halting gait, evidently gratified with the attentive courtesy of his new acquaintance.

Eunice, with a long breath of relief, dropped the dull, black-bound book, and watched the two as they moved slowly across the lawn.

A singular resemblance between them, real or fanciful, struck her eye, and brought a slight smile to her lips. Both were tall, slenderly built men of a certain elegance and grace of mold; both wore a noticeable garb, the coat of peculiar cut, the broad brimmed hat, and the faces bore a subtle likeness in the peculiar stamp which a life of contemplation and self-denial never fails to give; in both men alike was the quality of distinction, that of the outer man and that of the inner spirit.

Eunice was not the only one to observe this resemblance.

"What a sight!" exclaimed Miss Arnold. "The conjunction of an orthodox Friend and a High Church priest! And the intensely funny

thing about it is that, in spite of the difference of age and all, they are so much alike! Don't you see, Mrs. Mather?"

"Perhaps so," replied that lady, reluctantly, "although the resemblance seems to me entire-

ly superficial."

"I am not sure but the two views require the same habit of mind. Those who leave Friends almost always run straight to ritualism. Both are ritualists, when you come to think of it," proceeded Miss Arnold, nothing daunted by Mrs. Mather's slightly defensive air, "only with one it is a negative, with the other a positive formalism.'

"I suppose you would naturally prefer the negative variety," remarked Mrs. Mather, dry-

'Yes, of the two," was the frank response. "Still, it is always the positive side which prevails in the world.'

#### A Nineteenth Century Jonah.

From Bullen's "Idylls of the Sea." (Appleton.)

"ALTHOUGH counted a good swimmer even among such amphibia as our crew, I lay there supine, stretched at length upon the seaa still, white figure grasping numbly at the fragment of bottom-board. Suddenly I became aware of a whirling in the water again, but I was in a sort of stupor of the physical faculties,

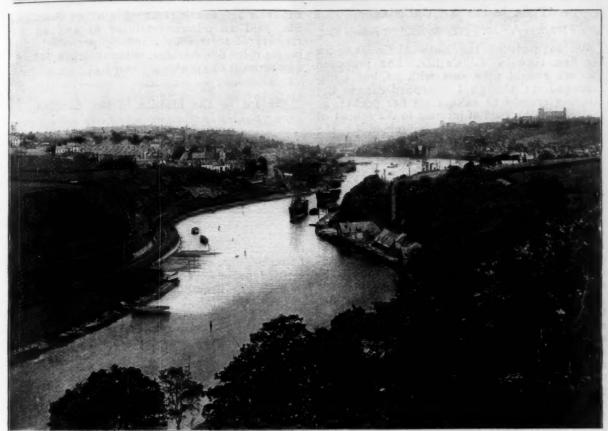
though mentally alert enough.

'Then up reared above my head an object I recognized with a long wail of terror; the tremendous lower jaw of the sperm whale, bristling with its double row of gleaming teeth. Before I could gasp a prayer, or even think what was happening, I was gliding down the vast gray cavern of his throat, with but one thought left 'the descent into Hell is easy.' Down, down I went into utter darkness, among a squirming, fetid heap of snaky coils, that enveloped me, and seemed to gnaw and tear at my shuddering body, as if devouring me at second hand. Then came an explosion-a dull, rending report-that sent an earthquake shock through me and my Immediately folunutterable surroundings. lowing this there was a convulsive upheaval, in which all the contents of that awful place took a rising motion growing faster and faster, until, with a roaring rush, came the dear daylight again.

"What ensued then for some time I do not know. A sensation of heavenly peace and calm possessed me, when, as if released from some unimaginable nightmare, I found myself floating placidly as a Medusa upon a calm sea. There I felt content to lie, without effort, conscious only of life-life so sweet that I wondered dreamily whether I was still in the body, or had passed into that blissful state imagined by speculative psychologists as awaiting man after death. Gradually my mind became clearer, my limbs felt willing to obey the impulse of my brain. I began to swim, feebly at first, almost automatically, but with increasing vigor as the significance of my position became clearer to

"I had swum but a short distance when the blessed sound of my shipmates' voices greeted my ears, but from my lowly position I was unable to see them, until one of them gripped me by the arms, dragging me into the boat among

"Then I learned without surprise that I was the only survivor of my boat's crew. Every



From "James Russell Lowell and His Friends."

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WHITBY.

one of my fellows had disappeared before the horror-stricken gaze of the men in the other boats, who, being but a short distance astern of us, had witnessed the whole tragedy. appeared that we had attacked a cachalot in the act of devouring one of the gigantic cuttle-fish, or 'squid,' upon which these cetaceans feed, and of which it is most probable no mortal eye has yet beheld a full-sized specimen. For they inhabit the middle depths of oceans, never coming to the surface voluntarily.

#### Lowell's Summers at Whitby.

From Hale's "James Russell Lowell and His Friends." (Houghton, Mifflin & Co.)

FOR his summer holiday, however, Lowell could run across the ocean and visit his English friends in the country, or go back to his pleasant Whitby surroundings. Whitby had for him a peculiar charm, and one really wishes that he had been in the mood at some time to make a monograph on Whitby, so interesting are some of the references which he makes to it in his letters:

"I am really at Whitby, whither I have been every summer but 1885 for the last six years. This will tell you how much I like it. A very primitive place it is, and the manners and ways of its people much like those of New England. The people with whom I lodge, but for accent, might be of Ashfield. It is a wonderfully picturesque place, with the bleaching bones of its Abbey standing aloof on the bluff and dominating the county for leagues. Once, they say, the monks were lords as far as they could The skeleton of the Abbey still lords it over the landscape, which was certainly one of the richest possessions they had, for there never

was finer. Sea and moor, hill and dale; sea dotted with purple sails and white (fancy mixes a little in the purple, perhaps;) moors flushed with heather in blossom, and fields yellow with corn, and the dark heaps of trees in every valley blabbing the secret of the stream that fain would hide to escape being the drudge of

We shall find this "hiding of the stream" "I know not why wind has replaced again. water for grinding; and the huge water-wheels green with moss and motionless give one a sense of repose after toil that to a lazy man like me is full of comfort." "I wish you could see the 'yards,' steep flights of stone steps hurrying down from the west cliff and the east, between which the river, whose name I can never re-member, crawls into the sea." The river appears to have been the Esk River, which Lochinvar swam where there was no ford.

A year afterward Lowell writes from Whitby: "I am rather lame to-day, because I walked too much and over very rough paths yesterday. But how could I help it? For I will not give in to old age. The clouds were hanging ominously in the northwest, and soon it began to rain in a haphazard kind of way, as a musician who lodges over one lets his fingers idle among the keys before he settles down to the serious business of torture. So it went on drowsily, but with telling effects of damp, till we reached the Falling Foss, which we saw as a sketch in water colors, and which was very pretty

"Thunderstorms loitered about over the valley like 'Arries on a Bank Holiday, at a loss what to do with their leisure, but ducking us now and then by way of showing their good humor. However, there were parentheses of sunshine, and on the whole it was very beau-

tiful."

#### 'Tilda in the Art Galleries.

From Whiteing's "No. 5 John Street." (Century Co.)

We have visited the National Gallery-for the first time in 'Tilda's life. She proposed that we should take nuts with us, but I discouraged it; though I afterward caught her nibbling crumbs of cake from her pocket, as though to fill a void of interest in the school of Urbino. She was greatly impressed by the beauty of the staircase, and by the decoration of the rooms, and her first explanation was: "Oh, mother! don't the paint make you feel good!" I took this to be her untutored tribute to the way in which the rich glowing colors, in their entirety, were harmonized by the suffusion of soft light from the roof. Nor was she insensible to the beauties of the collection in detail. Her test in art of all kinds, I find, is literal truth-verisimilitude of imitation. She lingered long before a fruit-and-flower piece, and observed with satisfaction that there were no grapes of that quality in the street shade, and that to get them you must go to the West End shops. She judged the most spiritual compositions from this point of view, and by the simple rule of fixing her attention on the one accessory she did understand, and asking herself, or me, if it looked like nature. the picture failed in this, martyrs aspired to heaven and angels sang them into glory in vain. For this reason she was about to reject the entire school of Florence as unworthy of attention until she caught sight of a shepherd, in Botticelli's "Nativity," whose nose is twisted on one side in the ardor of an angel's congratulatory embrace. "It's the gristly part as gives," she remarked, simply; "I've seen em go jest like that." She praised this part of the composition, but she objected to the parting of the ass's mane as "too O. K. for a moke." ing caught this critical chill, I am afraid she missed the effect of the rapture of joy which pervades the entire work. The school of Venice was scarcely more fortunate in her esteem, owing to an oversight of the painter of the "Family of Darius," which led her to condemn one of his accessory figures as "not much of a monkey." In contemplating the artless simplicity of pose, or the oddity of costume in some of the earlier works, she with difficulty resisted a temptation to open mockery. She pro-nounced the "Ulysses" of Pinturicchio a "cure;" and at sight of the "Jan Arnolfini" and his lady, she frankly gave way, taunted the male figure on the shape of his hat, and indulged in a fit of laughter which drew upon us a severe glance of the attendant. A neighboring "Venus and Adonis" seemed to excite her indignation, and she turned from it muttering that the painter "ought to have had a month. My look of disappointment seemed to strike her with remorse for a certain want of gratitude on her part. She sought to right herself, therefore, by remarks of an appreciative nature, by which I was infinitely touched. they were not very much to the purpose, they were certainly well meant. Thus, in Bellini's "St. Jerome in His Study," she commended the extremely lifelike drawing of the shoes; and her entirely favorable verdict on the immortal "Virgin and Child" of the Floren-tine master was: "He do seem to enjoy hisself, the kid!"-in unmistakable reference to the energy of the infant in the act of nutrition.

But she atoned for all these mistakes by her

behavior before the great "Pieta" of Francia. She paid an unforced tribute of awe to its majesty of sorrow by standing perfectly still before it for five minutes, without either eating a sweetmeat or speaking a word.

#### Oxford in the Middle of the Sixties.

From "Sights and Scenes in Oxford City and University." (Cassell & Co., Limited.)

THE Goths were at the gates, and the colleges generally had already begun hospitably to build lodgings for their entertainment. I fear Merton set the example (at least after a considerable interval previously) of these erections. Christ Church built its huge and, in comparison with Merton, not hideous front towards the river exactly during the years of my time; Balliol, I think, followed next; and then they all went helter-skelter, till it seems the once trim front lawn of Trinity is shut out from the eyes of men, and half the high westward of St. Mary's has been transformed by an irruption of Brasenose. To remember the Angel is now almost as rare as to be on the side of the angels; and something like five undergraduate generations have passed since they widened Magdalen Bridge to give a tramway room. Few who see the present ruin of the Broad Walk can imagine what it was, not three decades ago, though, of course, it was nothing like perfect even then, and in one of the plates that follow I observe tumblers on the table of a hall apparently prepared for dinner! Is it possible that the undergraduates of the present day drink out of tumblers instead of from the college plate? Did the last Commission make them sell it? Have they presented it to the town in that fever of fraternization which, I understand, was the greatest glory of Mr. T. H. Green to have brought about? I cannot answer these questions; but I can quite understand why no "Anatomy of Melancholy" has proceeded from Oxford of late years: if undergraduates have to drink out of tumblers instead of silver, or even (if agricultural depression and the multiplication of men require it) authentic pewter itself.

Let it not, however, be supposed that there is a tone of depression other than agricultural about these remarks. I confess that I am not sorry that I was at Oxford in May, 1865, instead of May, 1895. 1295 (for 1265 would have been too early by a few years) might have suited me better still. But still I am disposed to think that there is nobody at the present day more to be envied than an Oxford undergraduate of twenty in such a month of May as we have partly had. The observation has, I think, been made more than once before that though it would be the height of bad taste in an Athenian (the term is not merely Dryden's, it is as old as Lyly) to extol his mother University at the expense of others, it is legitimate to call attention to this fact, that those others very rarely seem to excite in their own nurslings the peculiarly fanatical affection which "Athens" does in all the best of hers. There may be other towns, university or cathedral, which possess individual set pieces of greater landscape beauty-this position if not affirmed need not be denied. But where, from Exeter to Durham, and from Canterbury to Carlisle, from the towers that look down on Severn to those that border on Cam and Ouse, will you find any thing like the variety of the charms of Oxford to the eye.

#### Doing It For the Baby.

From "The Greater Inclination." (Scribner.)

SHE was very pretty when I first knew her, with the sweet straight nose and short upper lip of the cameo-brooch divinity, humanized by a dimple that flowered in her cheek whenever anything was said possessing the outward attributes of humor without its intrinsic quality. For the dear lady was providentially deficient

in humor: the least hint of the real thing clouded her lovely eye like the hovering shadow of an algebraic problem.

don't think nature had meant her to be "intellectual; but what can a poor thing do whose husband has died of drink when her baby is hardly six months old, and who finds her coral necklace and her grandfather's edition of the British Dramatists inadequate to the demands of the creditors?

Her mother the celebrated Irene Astarte Pratt had written a poeminblank verseon"The Fall of Man;" one of her aunts was dean of a girls' college; another had translated Euripideswith such a family, the poor child's

fate was sealed in advance. The only way of paying her husband's debts and keeping the baby clothed was to be intellectual; and, after some hesitation as to the form her mental activity was to take, it was unanimously decided that she was to give lectures.

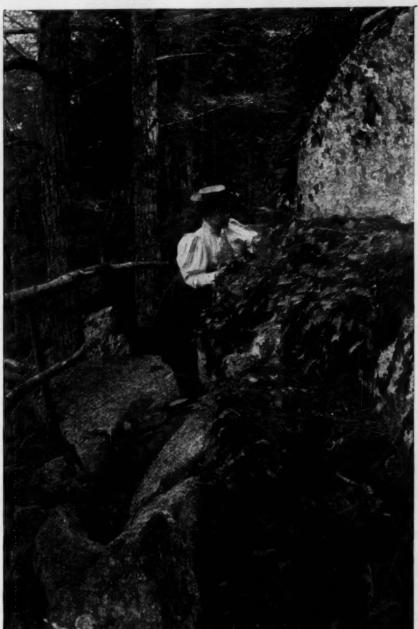
They began by being drawing-room lectures. The first time I saw her she was standing by the piano, against a flippant background of Dresden china and photographs, telling a roomful of women preoccupied with their spring bon-

nets all she thought she knew about Greek art. The ladies assembled to hear her had given me to understand that she was "doing it for the baby," and this fact, together with the shortness of her upper lip and the bewildering cooperation of her dimple, disposed me to listen leniently to her dissertation. Happily, at that time Greek art was still, if I may use the phrase, easily handled: it was as simple as walking down a museum gallery lined with pleasant fa-

miliar Venuses and Apollos. All the later complicationsthe archaic and archaistic conundrums; the influences of Assyria and Asia Minor; the conflicting attributions and the wrangles of the eruditestill slumbered in the bosom of the future "scientific critic. Greek art in those days began with Phidias and ended with the Apollo Belvedere; and a child could travel from one to the other without danger of losing his way. Mrs. Amy-

ot had two fatal gifts: a capacious but in accurate memory, and an extraordinary fluency of speech. There was nothing she did not remember—wrongly; but her halting facts were swathed in

TY OF THE POLYPODY.



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THE CHEERFUL COMMUNITY OF THE POLYPODY.



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A SKI PARTY IN SUMMER.

#### How We Kept the Queen's Jubilee.

From Jackson's "A Thousand Days in the Arctic." (Harper & Brothers.)

May 24, 1897, Monday.—We arrived back at the hut at 12.30 A. M., having done ninety-two miles in three marches. It was snowing heavily, with thick mist, as we ascended the east glacier from Gunter Bay. We had some food directly we got back, as we felt simply ravenous after our scanty feeding and long marches, and then turned in and slept the clock round like rocks. We never enjoyed sleep more! Armitage and I got our gear, which was soaked with salt water, into the hut, and hung it up to dry. I then set to work to develop negatives taken on our journey to Cape Cecil Harmsworth, which I am agreeably surprised to find undamaged, although all the unused plates and films are spoiled.

As we were on the point of having dinner about 9 P. M. a bear appeared at the flag-staff, no doubt attracted by the waving jack hoisted in honor of the Queen's birthday and the sixtieth year of her reign. We had spent nearly three years up here, only once having had communication with the outer world in all that time, and were not very certain of the dates. Still, we did know it was about sixty years since she ascended the throne. The dogs, however, scared the bear before we got a shot, and although I followed him as far as the big berg to the southwest, he soon increased his distance from me and took to the open water.

We had a bottle of the little that remained of the few bottles of champagne sent us last year for dinner, and rum and milk afterwards followed to drink the Queen's health. Her birth day no doubt has been kept by us farther north than anywhere else in the world.

We feel *especially* loyal to-day, and we are all gratified that we have been able to give her name—Queen Victoria Sea—to the frozen ocean to the north of these islands.

I proposed the toast, "The Queen, God bless her," which we drank with enthusiasm.

The climate is very Arctic here, but no warmer or more loyal hearts can be found than amid the snows and ice of this silent, frozen land of the north. May her flag extend from pole to pole!

#### Commerce and the Muse.

From Norris's "Giles Ingilby." (Drexel Biddle.)

ARTHUR REYNELL was not, in truth, a very happy man, although he passed for being one of those to whom Fortune has shown herself exceptionally kind. He was known to have in-herited a considerable fortune, he enjoyed a great literary reputation, his acquaintance included all the most distinguished personages of the day, and if he was without domestic joys, the inference was that he preferred to be without them, since he could unquestionably have married well, had he been so minded. He had (when he liked) a singularly pleasant and winning manner; but it was also within his capacity to be so chillingly polite that his popularity was not quite universal. However, there was nothing chilling about his reception of young Ingilby.

"I am very glad you were able to come," he

said simply; "it is so much more easy to make oneself understood by word of mouth than by letter.'

"Your letter was delightfully, gloriously ex-plicit," Giles declared, laughing. "Well, you gathered from it, I suppose, that I am anxious to secure you as a regular contributor; but I want to say rather more than that. Can you discuss matters of importance while you are eating?"
"Of course," answered Giles.

"Ah! at your age, no doubt, and with your . As for me, I am ancient and physiquedyspeptic; but the fact is that I have an engagement at ten o'clock, so I must break through rules for once."

His rules apparently did not include doing justice to an admirably served little dinner, which he scarcely touched. He talked the whole time, and was so helpful, as well as complimentary, in what he said that his guest

was fairly entranced.

"You should try your hand at prose, though," he concluded. "In some respects it is more difficult than poetry; but then it is also a good deal more lucrative, which is a point that most writers have to take into account. Have you attempted anything in that way?"

Giles shook his head. "I don't know whether I could," he answered. "What sort of prose do you mean?"
"Oh, it doesn't really matter much. Fiction,

essays, short descriptive articles - fiction, of course, for choice. With your imagination and your knack of hitting upon the right words to use, you ought to take to story-telling as a duck takes to water. And the thing pays, you see: there is a living to be made out of it."

"Do you really think, then," asked the young

man breathlessly, "that it would be possible for me to adopt literature as a profession?"

Mr. Reynell laughed. "Now I am in a hole," he remarked; "now I am upon the brink of offering what may prove disastrous advice to a fellow-creature who has done me no injury—bien s'en faut! Nevertheless, since I invited you here with the deliberate intention of doing that very thing, I won't equivocate. Yes; I do think so. Naturally, I can't speak with absolute assurance as yet; but I should very much like you to try. Is there time for trying when the day's grind in the city is over?" like you to try.

"Oh, heaps of time!"

"Why not try, then? Ultimately you might relinquish that city grind, which you need not tell me is abhorrent to you. I am a prejudiced counsellor; for, personally, I find the whole pleasure of my life in literary art, and nothing else seems to me to be worth while. In reality, many other things may be better worth whilethe acquisition of a big income amongst them. All depends upon the point of view of the individual concerned.'

Giles neither aspired to a big income nor had the remotest prospect of ever earning one out of tea. He hastened to make this announcement, and followed it up by a rapid, but exhaustive sketch of his hitherto uneventful life. "You see," he observed in conclusion, "that twenty songs or sonnets in the course of the year would bring me in two or three times as much as I am likely to get from my uncle for making a hash of his correspondence. And then if I could make a little by prose-writing, into the bargain!"

Reynell nodded. "But, for heaven's sake. don't throw the tea overboard until we can see our way!'

#### Things Are Not What They Seem.

From "The Real Lady Hilda." (Buckles.)

"I MUST say, Gwen," said my stepmother, "that you are a girl that it is a pleasure to dress; you have quite a grand air, such a remarkable carriage.

"Carriage!" I repeated, with a laugh of orn. "I wish I had a carriage—yes, and a scorn. pair-so that I need not intrude upon the Miss

Bennys; three in a fly are too many.

"Oh, and do take care of your gown, darling, lift it up well, and hold the train in your lap. This is only a dress rehearsal for Christ-mas Day, and I should be so vexed if you got your frock tumbled or soiled."

I promised in the most solemn manner to take the greatest care of my toilet, and refused for the tenth time the eagerly pressed loan of her diamond brooch, "just to give the lace a

"My dear Emma, I am going to this party to



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"AS HE STRODE ACROSS THE DOWNS HE SANG ALOUD."

please you; I am wearing lace and satin fit for a duchess to please you; but I really must decline the diamonds. As it is, people will be quite sufficiently tickled, when they compare my position and surroundings; they will say all "They will say you are a princess in dis-

"Pooh! they will say I am a pauper who has been swindling some London dressmaker! shall make myself small, and sit in a corner, and try and escape notice," and I sailed into the sitting-room.

Here I found an immediate opportunity of testing the effect of my transformation. Mrs. Gabb, who (as an excuse to obtain a private view) was making up the fire, dropped the

poker with a frightful clang, as she ejaculated: "Good laws—laws me! Well—I never!" which I accepted as a very handsome tribute to my splendid appearance. In another five minutes the glories of my costume were concealed beneath a long fur-trimmed evening cloak (yet another relic of Emma's wealthy days,) and I found myself shut into a fly, with my back to the horse, and driving away with the two Miss Bennys and Mrs. Montmorency Green, their cousin. I ventured to thank them, rather timidly.

"It is so very kind of you to take me," I murmured; "and I am quite ashamed of crush-

ing you like this."

Well, you must only make yourself as small as you can," said the elder, with asperity.

"We would do anything to oblige dear Mrs. Cholmondeley; and she made quite a point of our taking you with us.'

"I suppose it will not be a large party?" I

hazarded, still more timidly.

"Not a large party! We shall have half the country; every one will be there. The Moate is such a dear old place-splendid pictures, grand reception-rooms-and the Cholmondeleys do everything so well; they gave three weeks' invitation, so it's sure to be extra smart!"

Three weeks' invitation, and I had been asked at the eleventh hour! I now shrank into my corner of the fly and relapsed into silence, feeling as small as Miss Benny could

possibly desire.

#### He Only Laughed.

From Risley's "Men's Tragedies." (Macmillan Co.)

AFTER admiring the view from the top of the hill, we all sat down among the boulders and had lunch. The serving-men spread tablecloths on the flat rocks and balanced dishes in the crannies. We made a delightful cold lunch. But I thought that I caught a glimpse once of Sigurd holding Evangeline's hand under a napkin. That was her name, Evangeline; but everybody called her "Vangy."

We straggled back to the castle in couples. Sigurd and Vangy went side by side. He carried her alpenstock over his shoulder, and there was a gayer, more boyish ring in his laugh than

I had ever heard before.

When we arrived at the castle, I went up to his room with him and seriously remonstrated. He laughed! He laughed at me, at whom he had never laughed before!

"My dear young friend," I said, seating my-self in front of the fire, "now kindly listen

while I give you a little most excellent advice." He leaned against the mantelpiece, with his hands in his pockets, and I joined my finger tips

over my white vest, and began.

"Women," I commenced, "are like sauces; they should only be partaken of in conjunction with a heavier substance. A sauce without the meat would be an abomination! So, when a man allows a slip of a girl to hold his whole heart and attention, it is an unnatural and ridiculous exaggeration! There should be ambition, self-respect, patriotism, learning, anything you will, as the principal course. Woman is an entrée; or, to use another simile, woman bears the same relation to man that the mantel ornaments bear to the clock. The man makes the hours important. The woman waits to be admired. The greatest folly of the ages is the exaggerated view of the importance of woman! Oh, yes, they are delightful creatures—no man could possibly be more chivalrous toward them than I am! But to sacrifice one's whole career to them! Bah! To live for them! Bah! To die for them even! Bah! Bah! Bah!

"But," remonstrated Sigurd, "I am not wasting my career, and I am not sacrificing my

life, and I am not expecting to die!"

"Oh, my dear friend," I responded, "only too well I see what you are going to do! You are going to make love to her! If you would have the sense to assure her before you begin, that there is nothing in it, that she is not to think that anything will come of it! But no! You will do it seriously! That is the trouble A woman is worth making a comedy of, sometimes; but a tragedy, never!

It was no use. He only laughed. I got up

and went into my room mournfully.

#### The Twins Decide It.

From Mrs. Burton Harrison's "A Triple Entanglement." (J. B. Lippincott Co.)

STUART'S decision, announced to his mother during a visit to New York, caused Mrs. Wallis's imagination to inflame with a simultaneous desire for foreign parts. It was so long since they had been abroad, she had so much enjoyed her last trip with him, she could take Bessie and the children and stop "anywhere" while Stuart followed his own devices; they would shut up Hillhurst, their large, comfortable country house on the Hudson, and indulge themselves in a summer change of scene. To this suggestion "Bessie," the widowed Mrs. Staines, proving highly acquiescent, the plan was quickly matured. They secured deck staterooms for the whole party on one of the favorite ocean liners; trunks covered with old curling labels were brought down from the storeroom, and Stuart was in the act of cabling to engage some good quarters he knew of for their stop in London, when his mother, looking much worsted from conflict, came into the library, where he sat at his father's desk.

"My darling boy, we shall have to give it

"Give what up, mother?" asked Stuart, fill-

ing in his cable blank leisurely.
"Going to London—the journey—the whole thing. For the last hour Bessie Staines and I have been discussing it with the twins. says he won't leave his pony, and Toto declares she will never be happy away from her dogs and Hillhurst. They have so much sensibility, those two, I am afraid we can't induce them to change their minds. After all, Hillhurst has everything to entertain them, and they keep so well there, and in such splendid spirits, and lead such fine outdoor lives, I hardly wonder at their feeling as they do."
"How old are the twins, mother?" inquired

Stuart, mildly.

"Eight in June, the 21st, and larger than most children of their age," answered the lady, promptly. "You know poor Bessie spent that summer after her husband died in lodgings in England; and the little creatures remember just enough of what a contrast it was to Hillhurst and their free life in a big country place. Bessie is doing her best to persuade them to go, but I don't know. They are so very resolute. And whatever Tom says, Toto backs up, and sticks to it through thick and thin. It is really

Tom's pony that is our difficulty; we might get over Toto's dogs."

" Perhaps we could prevail upon the captain of the Campania to set aside a cabin for Tom's pony. But it looks to me as if you would have to leave your rebellious angels at home with Bessie, and let them keep the house and servants going at Hillhurst till your return.'

"I might do that," replied Mrs. Wallis, in a

lukewarm tone.

"And you and I will try to revive some of the

days of our journey three years ago."

"Yes, dear, that was a very happy time for me. All went so well, and we had such capital weather on the whole. I have known summers abroad when tourists had their umbrellas up six days out of seven. Fancy lodgings, or a hotel, with Tom and Toto during a week of rain! When I think of such a chance, I almost believe the darlings know better than we what they ought to do.'



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<sup>&</sup>quot;HENCEFORWARD SHE WOULD LIVE FOR OTHERS."

#### Fashionable Solution of Social Problems.

From Merriman's "Prisoners and Captives." (Fenno.)

"I have never," Easton said, as he seated himself, "been at an entertainment of this description before. I am only a beginner. In our country we manage things differently; and I cannot yet understand how so much talking and so little action can benefit any cause."

"But," said Miss Winter "you are not new to England. There is nothing about you to

lead one to that conclusion."
"Thank you," he replied, gravely. clawhammer coat was made in Piccadilly, so I suppose it is all right."

He looked down at the garment in question, and dusted the sleeve lightly with a per-

fectly gloved hand.
"Do you like it?" he inquired, simply. Miss Winter was becoming interested. She therefore quelled a sudden desire to laugh, and answered.

"Yes; it is a a very nice coat."
"I am not," he said, after a pause, "new to England, but I have not moved-I think you call it-much in London society. I suppose the men do all the moving in your society?they seem to. The women sit mostly still and

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WITH HESITATION THE OFFICER RAISED THE BRIM OF THE LARGE HAT.

wait till the men come to them. With us it is different.

"The women," replied this womanly lady, "are beginning to move with us, and, from what I have seen of the result, I rather incline towards the old policy of sitting still.

He turned and looked at her with a little nod. There was in his queer, restless eyes a distinct

glance of approval.
"Yes," he said, "yes. So I should surmise. Our ladies are very fascinating, and very clever, and all that, but-but the young men do not seem to make such a pretty show of loving them as we read of in olden times. At all events they do not continue to show them that regard which, I remember, my father showed towards my mother."

"I myself am a humble admirer of the wom-

anly school."
"And I," added Easton. "Now," he continued, after a pause, "do tell me. What do all these good people think they are doing here

to-night?"

"They think, firstly," replied Miss Winter, "that they are getting their names into the fashionable society papers. Secondly, that their natural or artificial adornment is creating a distinct impression. Thirdly, and lastly, that they are assisting in some definite way towards the solution of a problem of which the rudiments are entirely unknown."

"Then in England, as well as in my own country, charity is a recognized plaything of society," suggested Easton.

"Yes. We take it up in late autumn and winter, when there are no races, nor regattas. nor lawn-tennis parties."

"Ah, then," said the American, "society is very much the same here as elsewhere.'

#### A Morning's Work.

From Frederic's "The Market Place." (Stokes.)

THORPE remained on his feet, looking down at the pair with satisfied cheerfulness. He took a slip of paper from his pocket, to support

a statement he was making.

"I'm forever telling you what a strain the City is on a man in my position," he said—
"and to-day I had the curiosity to keep an account of what happened. Here it is. I had thirty callers. Of those, how many do you suppose came to see me on my own business? Just eight. That is to say, their errands were about investments of mine, but most of them managed to get in some word about axes of their own to grind. All the rest made no pretence at all of thinking about anybody but themselves. I've classified them, one by one, here.

"First, there were six men who wanted me to take shares of one sort or another, and I had to more or less listen to what they tried to make out their companies were like. They were none of them any good. Eight different fellows came to me with schemes that haven't reached the company stage. One had a scheme for getting possession of a nigger republic in the West Indies by raising a loan, and then repudiating all the previous loans. Another wanted me to buy a paper for him, in which he was to support all my enterprises. Another wanted to start a bank -I apparently to find the money, and he the brains. One chap wanted me to finance a theatrical syndicate—he had a bag full of photographs of an actress all eyes and teeth and hair

—and another chap had a scheme all worked out for getting a concession from Spain for one of the Caroline Islands, and putting up a factory there for making porpoise-hide leather.

'Then there were three inventors-let's see, here they are - one with a coiled wire spring for scissors inside a pocket-knife, and one with a bottle, the whole top of which unscrews instead of having a cork or stopper, and one with an electrical fish-line, a fine wire inside the silk, you know, which connects with some battery when a fish bites, and rings a bell, and throws out hooks in various directions, and does all sorts of things.

"Well, then there was a man who wanted me to take the chairmanship of a company, and one wanted me to guarantee an overdraft at his bank, and two who wanted to borrow money on stock, and one parson-fellow who tried to stick me for a subscription to some home or other he said he had for children in the country. He was the worst bounder of the lot.

"Well, there's twentyseven people—and twenty of them strangers to me, and not worth a penny to me, and all trying to get money out of me. Isn't that a dog's life for one?"

"I don't know," said Miss Madden, contemplatively. "A lady may have twice that number of callers in an afternoon—quite as great strangers to all intents and purposes—and not even have the satisfaction of discovering that they had any object whatever in calling. At least your people had some motive: the grey matter in their brain working. And besides, one of them might have had something to say which you would value. I don't think that ever happens among a lady's callers; does it, Edith?"

Edith smiled, pleasantly and yet a little wistfully, but said nothing.

"At any rate," Thorpe went on, with a kind of purpose gathering in his eyes, "none of those fellows cost me anything, except in time. But then I had three callers, almost in a bunch, and one of them took out of me thirty thousand pounds, and another fifteen thousand pounds, and the third—an utter stranger he was—he got an absolute gratuity of ten thousand pounds, besides my consent to a sale which, if I had refused it, would have stood me in perhaps forty or fifty thousand pounds more. You ladies may thank your stars you don't have that kind of callers!"

The sound of these figures brought a constrained look to the faces of the women. Seemingly the subject was not to their liking.



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"SURELY YOU MUST HAVE SAID EVERYTHING NOW THAT YOU WISHED TO SAY."

#### Katydids.

From Badenoch's "True Tales of the Insects.
(Dutton.)

AMID the teeming exuberant insect orchestra of the American fields in autumn may be heard the notes of the Katydids, the most notorious of the singing Locustids-essentially American. There are several species of them-they belong, indeed, to several genera-but the song of all is supposed to suggest, more or less, the words of their popular name. Katy-did, katy-did, or, with variations, "O-she-did, katy-did-she-did," vociferates the garrulous "testy little dogmatist." Green leapers from leaf to leaf and from branch to branch, they might far more appropriately be called tree-vaulters than grasshoppers. Riley thus describes the music of the angular-winged Katydid, Microcentrum retinerve, the commonest species in the Western and Southern States: "The first notes from this katydid are heard about the middle of July, and the species is in full song by the first of The wing-covers are partially opened August. by a sudden jerk, and the notes produced by the gradual closing of the same. The song consists of a series of from twenty-five to thirty raspings, as of a stiff quill drawn across a coarse file. There are about five of these raspings or



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JUAN'S FIRST SHOT.

trills per second, all alike, and with equal intervals, except the last two or three, which, with the closing of the wing-covers, run into each other. The whole strongly recalls the slow turning of a child's wooden rattle, ending by a sudden jerk of the same."

From the setting of the sun till he begins to shed his rays in the east, these noisy choristers, during their most active period, will have it, with never an hour's remission, that "Katydid"—the species being so numerous that the sound as it comes from the woods is one prolonged rattling. Scudder states that these katydids sing by day and night, but their day song differs from that of the night. "On a summer's day it is curious to observe these little creatures suddenly changing from the day to the night song at the mere passing of a cloud, and returning to the old note when the sky is clear. By imitating the two songs in the daytime, the grasshoppers can be made to respond to either at will; at night they have but one note.

#### Malayan Sports.

From "Tales of the Malayan Coast. (Lothrop Pub. Co.)

THE first of the sports was a series of foot-races between Malay and Kling boys, almost invariably won by the Malays, who are the North American Indians of Malaysia—the old-time kings of the soil. They are never, like the Chinese, mere beasts of burden, or great merchants, nor do they descend to petty trade, like the Indians or Bengalese. If they must work they become horsemen.

Next came a jockey race, in which a dozen long-limbed Malays took each a five-year-old child astride his shoulders, and raced for seventy-five yards. There were sack-races and greased-pole climbing and pig catching.

Now came a singular contest—an eating match. Two dozen little Malay, Kling, Tamil, and Chinese boys were seated at regular intervals about an open circle by one of the governor's aids. Not one could touch the others in any way. Each had a dry, hard ship-biscuit before him. A pistol shot and two dozen pairs of little brown fists went pit-a-pat on the two dozen hard biscuits, and in an instant the crackers were broken to powder.

Then commenced the difficult task of forcing the powdered pulp down the little throats. Both hands were called into full play during the operation, one for crowding in, the other for grinding the residue and patting the stomach and throat. Each little competitor would shyly rub into the warm earth, or hide in the folds of his many-colored sarong, as much as possible, or when a rival was looking the other way would snap a good-sized piece across to him.

The little brown fellow who won the fifty-cent piece by finishing his biscuit first simply put into his mouth a certain quantity of the crushed biscuit, and with little or no mastication pushed the whole mass down his throat by sheer force.

The minute the contest was decided, all the participants, and many other boys, rushed to a great tub of molasses to duck for half-dollars.

Successful or otherwise, after their powers were exhausted they would suddenly pull out their heads, reeking with the molasses, and make for the ocean, unmindful of the crowds of natives in holiday attire who blocked their way.

Then came a jinrikisha race, with Chinese coolies pulling Malay passengers around a half-mile course. Letting go the handles of their wagons as they crossed the line, the coolies threw their unfortunate passengers over backward.

Tugs of war, wrestling matches, and boxing bouts on the turf finished the land sports, and we all adjourned to the yachts to witness those of the sea.

#### Strasburg in the Franco-Prussian War.

From "The Garden of Swords." (Dodd, Mead & Co.)

"IT is hard to be a woman when those in whom you trust have ceased to be men. At Wörth I believed that nothing in all the world could defeat the armies of France. I dare not tell you all I saw there. Strasburg cannot be like that. Nothing will ever be like that again."

"It will be as our destiny writes it, my child. And we must have faith, faith always. It is all a woman can offer—her whole heart and soul and sympathy for those who suffer that she may have a home. Let us give unstitting-

They went together to the windows of the house to watch the marching of a regiment, which went by with banners flying and drums rolling, and all the glorious panoply of war. It was a sunny Sabbath morning of August, and in all the steeples the bells were calling the citizens to Mass. When the troops had passed

and the cheering for the "Mother of the City," whose white hairs the soldiers had seen at the window, had died away, Beatrix quitted the house and went alone toward the Minster; for thither the citizens now turned, and there the great service of the day was to be held. She had never seen so many people abroad in the streets of Strasburg before; nor did they wear the air of those who feared for themselves or their houses. Women anticipated coming victories in colors which would not mourn the past irrevocable. Men walked in groups and spoke of the brave General Uhrich. Bands played every-The cafés were where. scenes of mirth and excitement. In the churches themselves priests spoke of a nation fighting God's battles, and moved their flocks to a frenzy of applause. Old soldiers told of Jena and of Italy. Little children carried long swords at their belts, and their watchward was "Aux armes.

By these she passed quickly, for the bells told her that the service was about to begin. In the cathedral square she found a great concourse of people moved by some savage impulse she could not at first understand. Ferocious cries were raised; she heard the smashing of

glass in the doors of a café, and saw bludgeons and sticks raised threateningly above the heads of the people. A man at her side told her that they had caught a spy and were about to kill him. They had taken him in the Minster it-self. He had run to the café for shelter, but They had taken him in the Minster itthey would settle his affair, and he would go back to Germany no more. Had it been possi-ble, she would have drawn back from the crowd; but the human wave engulfed her and carried her forward, almost to the doors of the house. Half fainting in the press, unable to make her voice heard, she became unwillingly the spectator of that tragedy of the Sabbath. She saw the white-faced man in the porch of the house; she heard his frenzied appeals for mercy. Foamed dripped from his lips, his hair was dishevelled, his coat torn, his hands upraised to protect his face; but no one thought of pity or of justice. Men struck at him with their fists; a drunkard threw a glass at him and cut his forehead; the blows of canes fell upon his face as whips that strike a board; blood



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INTO THE DEATH PIT LEFORT RODE.

flowed from his nostrils. He fell fainting, and those about him beat out his brains as he lay

senseless upon the floor.

The people swept by with clamorous shouts. The spy was dead. Strasburg had settled with him. For an instant, Beatrix reeled back against the window of the café. Everything in the cathedral square swam before her eyes. She thought that she would fall, but a strong arm was placed suddenly about her waist, and a voice that she knew whispered a word in her ear.

"Silence," was the word; "I have brought

the news I promised you.

She looked up at the man's face and read it through his disguise. Brandon North himself was at her side.

#### A Host on His Own Preserve.

From Hamblen Sears' "Fur and Feather Tales." (Harper.)

It is probable that there is no greater test of the gentleman in a man than when he acts the host on his own preserve. Any one may be a gentleman when he is in a theatre fire or on a wreck at sea. He may even keep his instincts of chivalry in a football game; but when he can take a friend for a day's shooting over his own uplands and keep his anger, his sarcastic smiles, his involuntary criticism, and his gun from interfering until three o'clock in the afternoon, he has actually proved himself worthy to stand by the side of a Bayard or a Charlemagne.

My host did himself proud. He gave his guest the left side of the day so that he could swing easily as the quail jumped off to the left. The guest missed-Heaven knows how many times he missed that day-and George did not crack a smile. I fired at a bird that was half a mile away two or three times and spoiled his shot, and the dogs only received a reprimand. Finally I fired at a cock-pheasant and missed him because of the unforeseen interference of a large tree, and when he brought him down my host insisted that it was my shot which laid the Any other mortal, after such occurrences, would either have thrown down his gun and stamped upon it, or would have shot his guest; but George did neither. He only said that sometimes you could shoot and sometimes you could not, and that this was his bad day.

However, we started out a second time, and at perhaps fifty yards from the house, as we were in the act of breaking our guns to put in a couple of cartridges, one of us nearly stepped on something that moved, rose, fell, rose again higher, and then made a prodigious noise among the bushes. This particular person stood a moment in amazement as a huge creature rose and flew directly away from him. He did not even close his gun until the agonized cry of the host of "Shoot! shoot, man! Why don't you shoot?" came indistinctly to his ears. Then he closed his gun as the bird disappeared. The dogs stood stock-still and cocked one eye at him, and George put another cartridge into his gun, remarking in his placid tones that that was pretty sudden-so near the house, you know! It was a pheasant, a beautiful cock, and we watched him sail along in the sunflowerfield over a hedge to the northwest, and then started for his second hiding-place.

#### Only a Philanthropist to Blame.

From Cy Warman's "Snow on the Headlight." (Appleton.)

One day a desolate looking striker was warming his feet in a cheap saloon when a welldressed stranger came and sat near him and asked the cause of his melancholia. "I'm a striker," said the man; "and I have had no breakfast. More than that, my wife is hungry at home and she is sick, too. All day yesterday I begged for work, but there was nothing for me to do. To-day I have begged for money to buy medicine and food for her, but I have received nothing, and now my only hope is that she may be dead when I go home to-night, empty handed and hungry."

The stranger drew his chair yet nearer to that of the miserable man and asked in a low

tone why he did not steal.

"I don't know how," said the striker, looking his questioner in the face. "I have never stolen anything and I should be caught at my first attempt. It'll be easier anyway after she's gone, and that won't be long; she don't want to live. I think she has almost ceased to care for me, for of course she blames me for going out with the strikers, but how's a man to know what to do?

The switchman went over to the bar where a couple of non-union men were shaking dice for the drinks. He recognized one of them as the man who had taken his place in the yards, but he scarcely blamed him now. Perhaps the fellow had been hungry, and the striker knew too well what that meant. Presently, the switchman went back to the stove and began to button his thin coat up about his throat.

"I'm dead broke myself," said the welldressed stranger, "but I'm going to help you

if you'll let me."
As the striker stared at the stranger the man took off a sixty-dollar overcoat and hung it over the switchman's arm. "Take it," he said, "its bran new; I just got it from the tailor this morning. Go out and sell it and bring the money to me and I'll help you."

When the striker had been gone a quarter of an hour the well-dressed man strolled up to the bar and ordered a cocktail. Fifteen minutes later he took another drink and went out in front of the saloon. At the end of an hour he ordered another dose of nerve food and sat down to think. It began to dawn upon him that he had been "had," as the English say. He had been waiting nearly two hours when the switchman came in. "I had a hard time finding a purchaser," explained the striker, "and finally when I did sell it I could only get twelve dollars, and they made me give my name and tell how I came to have such a coat. I suppose they thought I had stolen it."

"And you told them that a gentleman had given the coat to you to sell because he was sorry for you?"
"Yas, I gave them a description of you and

told them the place."
"That was right," said the gentleman, glancing toward the door. "Here are two dollars; come back here to-morrow and I'll have something more for you—good-by." And the philanthropist passed out by a side door which opened on an alley.

The striker gripped the two-dollar bill hard in his hand and started for the front door. All thought of hunger had left him now, and he was thinking only of his starving wife, and wondering what would be best for her to eat. Two or three men in citizens' dress, accompanied by a policeman, were coming in just as he was going out, but he was looking at the money and did not notice them. "There goes the thief," said one of the men, and an officer laid a heavy hand on the striker's shoulder.

"Did you sell an overcoat to this gentleman a little while ago?" asked the policeman. "Yes," said the striker glancing down at the

two dollars he still held in his hand.

"And yer sthold dot coats fun mine vindo," said a stout man, shoving his fist under the switchman's nose.

#### A Solemn Betrothal.

From "The Secret of Fougereuse." (Marlier, Callanan.)

WHILE Robert was speaking, Isabelle turned,

little by little, towards him.
"My lord of Villepreux," she said, as Robert knelt before her to hear her decision, "my lord of Villepreux, you and I have nothing to do with light and idle talk. My truthfulness shall be equal to yours. If you would owe your bride neither to some debt of thankfulness, nor wish to leave her to the free choice of her heart" to some assurance given in her name; if you

There Isabelle's voice failed her. She stopped



From "Alasl a and the Klondike."

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A SUMMER DAY ON THE SKAGUAY.

"A gentleman gave me the coat in this saloon," urged the striker. "Why, he was here a moment ago.

"Ah! dot's too tin," laughed the tailor; "tak' 'im avay, Meester Bleasman, tak' 'm avay," and the miserable man was hurried away to prison.

That night while the switchman sat in a dark cell his young wife lay dying of cold and hunger in a fireless room, and when an enterprising detective came to search the house for stolen goods on the following morning, he found her there stiff and cold.

Of course no one was to blame in particular, unless it was the well-dressed gentleman who had "helped" the striker, for no one, in particular, was responsible for the strike. It may have been the company and it may have been the brotherhood, or both, but you can't put a railroad company or a brotherhood in jail.

in despite of herself, and reddened, and breathed hard. Villepreux's forehead bent lower, like that of a man who resigns himself to the deathsentence.

"Well, my dear one," Guy prompted her, what must become of Villepreux, if he would owe his bride to the free choice of her heart?

The sister laid her little trembling hand in her brother's. "Then let him receive this hand from you, Guy! and tell him that I had vowed it should never be given to any other.'

"Robert," Fougereuse continued solemnly, "here is my last legacy, my treasure. I pass it to him who is worthiest."

The young man pressed to his lips, again and again, the hand so sweetly accorded him. He could not answer.

"Come, my Father," Guy called to the hermit, "come and consecrate this betrothal by the preliminary rite of the Church. Isabelle must



From "The Secret of Fongereuse."

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"LET HIM RECEIVE THIS HAND FROM YOU."

be able to say to the King: 'Sire, I am bound before God.'"

The aged monk came forward, and after a short, simple exordium, he questioned the lovers. The vows were pronounced, two rings were blessed and made to serve, and their lives were joined in a sacred link which no human power could break.

"Noël!" cried Lorc. "Honor to the affianced wife of the Lion! And may that fox of a Moulny die now of rage and spite!"

Fougereuse silenced the enfant terrible with a gesture. Then he embraced Isabelle, holding her long against his breast, and at last he placed his sister's hand again in that of his friend.
"Take her, Robert, my brother; she is yours.

"Take her, Robert, my brother; she is yours. The feud between us is indeed destroyed. May the Lord God Himself be our bond of union, and cement forever the alliance between your line and ours! . . . Good-by, Isabelle. I confide you, without one fear, to your Lionheart. Tell the King that my last thought"——

"Guy, why should you talk thus?" Villepreux remonstrated. "Have you sworn to act like a defenceless sheep, who runs to death? I shall not suffer it. My Thieves are mine yet, and I and they will attempt to save you, be it by attacking the royal troops, contending for your life with the very executioner, or snatching you alive from the burning stake!"

Isabelle," said her brother, "rather shall you be my ambassadress, since the King appears to have preserved his good will towards you. Here is a ring which he gave me, in a moment of friendly confidence. He engaged never to refuse any request of mine, should this be presented to him in my name. I will intrust it to you. Bring it to His Majesty, and add only this: 'Sire, Fougereuse claims the performance of the royal promise: he demands to be heard before he is condemned.' Go: and God be with you. And you, Father, be pleased to return to the Right Reverend Abbott, and report to him what you have seen; for the hour to act is at hand."

Within a few moments, Robert, the lady Isabelle, and the hermit had quitted the prison. Hours later, Artauld entered.

#### The Record of the College Men.

From Roosevelt's "The Rough Riders." (Scribner.)

WE drew recruits from Harvard, Yale, Princeton, and many another college; from clubs like the Somerset, of Boston, and Knickerbocker, of New York; and from among the men who belonged neither to club nor to college, but in whose veins the blood stirred with the same impulse which once sent the Vikings over sea.

Harvard being my own college, I had such a swarm of applications from it that I could not take one in ten. What particularly pleased me, not only in the Harvard, but about Yale and Princeton men, and, indeed, in these recruits from the older states generally, was that they did not ask for commissions. With hardly an exception they entered upon their duties as troopers in the spirit which they held to the end, merely endeavoring to show that no work could be too hard, too disagreeable, or too dangerous for them to perform, and neither asking nor receiving any reward in the way of promotion or consideration.

Some of them made appeals to me which I could not possibly resist. Woodbury Kane had been a close friend of mine at Harvard. Woodbury Kane During the eighteen years that had passed since my graduation I had seen very little of him, though, being always interested in sport, I occasionally met him on the hunting field, had seen him on the deck of the Defender when she vanquished the Valkyrie, and knew the part he had played on the Navajoe, and, in her most important race, that otherwise unlucky yacht vanquished her opponent, the Prince of Wales's Britannia. When the war was on, Kane felt it his duty to fight for his country. He did not seek any position of distinction. All he desired was the chance to do whatever work he was put to do well, and to get to the front; and he enlisted as a trooper. When I went down to the camp at San Antonio he was on kitchen duty, and was cooking and washing dishes for one of the New Mexican troops; and he was doing it so well that I had no further doubt as to how he would get on.

My friend of many hunts and ranch partner, Robert Munro Ferguson, of Scotland, who had been on Lord Aberdeen's staff as a lieutenant but a year before, likewise could not keep out of the regiment. He, too, appealed to me in terms which I could not withstand, and came in like Kane to do his full duty as a trooper, and like Kane to win his commission by the way he thus did his duty.

I felt many qualms at first in allowing men of this stamp to come in, for I could not be certain that they had counted the cost, and was afraid they would find it very hard to servenot for a few days, but for months-in the ranks, while I, their former intimate associate, was a field officer; but they insisted that they knew their minds, and the events showed that they did. We enlisted about fifty of them from Virginia, Maryland, and the Northeastern States at Washington. Before allowing them to be sworn in, I gathered them together and explained that if they went in they must be prepared not merely to fight, but to perform the weary, monotonous labor incident to the ordinary routine of a soldier's life; that they must be ready to face fever exactly as they were to face bullets: that they were to obey unquestioningly, and to do their duty as readily if called upon to garrison a fort as if sent to the front. I warned them that work that was merely irksome and disagreeable must be faced as readily as work that was dangerous, and that no complaint of any kind must be made; and I told them that they were entirely at liberty not to go, but after they had once signed there could then be no backing out.

Not a man of them backed out; not one of them failed to do his whole duty.

#### The "Yes" Flag.

From "Transatlantics." (Brentano's.)

THERE are various kinds of objectionable people in this world. Their sins range all the

way from flattering to horse-stealing. But there is one vice which is more practically disagreeable than all the others put together. I refer to souvenir-collecting.

There is nothing sacred to collectors. They would chip pieces from the ghost in "Hamlet," could he be found, with the same composure with which they secrete their unsuspecting host's salt-spoons and sugar-tongs at a tea-party.

Girls develop this vice as well as men; perhaps more so. As long as they confine themselves to hitting off fragments from ancient tombstones while the guide is not looking, nobody cares. But the moment they encroach on the prosaic, living present, they come into conflict with a number of well-established customs.

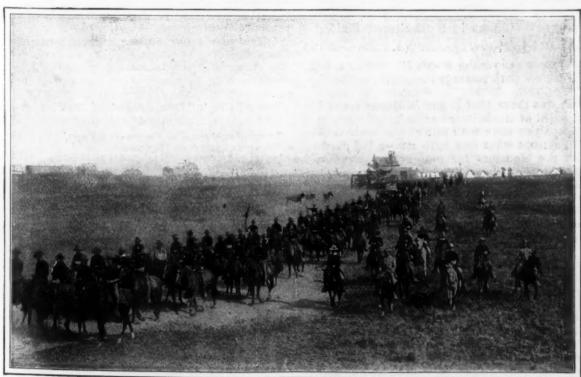
The girl I am telling you of was witty, bright, and pretty, and she stole souvenirs. She had never been on an ocean steamer before, and therefore she had decided that she ought to have something to remember her first trip by. But everything was screwed or tied fast, except a few articles that would hardly add to the charm of a young girl's boudoir.

After the girl had unsuccessfully roamed about the ship for four days with the souvenir craze strong upon her, something happened: a wave dashed over the port bow of the ship. It wiped away everything in its path, and left remnants of one of the life-boats clinging to the davits.

Then it climbed into the box holding the signal-flags, and from this point took a hand in the destinies of the girl. In this way: It thoroughly water-logged the signal-flags, and necessitated their drying the next day.

The officer who had charge of this (I have forgotten whether his grade was one or two, but he was good to look upon, and also in love with the girl, having known her before he went to sea) ordered the flags to be strung along to dry on a rope stretched parallel with the deck, and about three feet above it.

In the code each consonant of the alphabet is



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represented by a flag. There is one which marks the letter "C," and also means "yes." The officer had shown this particular flag to the girl the day before, because it was the initial of

her Christian name.

The morning when the flags were hung out to dry was chilly; but the girl, possessing a superabundant amount of vitality, came on deck and saw her chance. The wind must have frozen her intellect, for realizing that she was alone, she came to the conclusion that there were flags enough for the ship, plus one, and that that particular one had been placed there providentially for her to steal; only she did not

call it by that ugly term.

The "yes" flag, which, as I said before, was also the initial of her name, was hanging there among the others, but she soon had it hidden

under her ulster.

A few hours later a steamer passed and asked a question by flags, and there were replies by flags. Then the other steamer, not satisfied, drew up another color combination, and our captain politely prepared to do the same. The "yes" flag was to occupy a prom-inent position in this reply, but the "yes" flag could not be found, as it reposed at that moment in the girl's stateroom.

The captain said several miserable things about the officer, who, it seems, had these minor details of the ship's wardrobe in charge. He also expressed a desire that the officer might go to -, but there is no reason for repeating, as the scene was painful enough at the time, and long remembered by those who had the misfortune to be in the neighbor-

hood.

When the captain had made it clear to all about him that they were unfit for everything except eternal damnation, he double-reefed his temper and ordered up another flag combination, which did quite as well as the one he had first intended to fly. Then he took another look at the compass and forgot all about the incident.

#### Roger Williams in Unsheltered Exile.

From "Mistress Content Cradock." (A. S. Barnes & Co.)

"Do you see yonder woods?" Archer asked, indicating a path towards the south. " Yes.

"It was there that Roger Williams spent his first night of unsheltered exile."

And you were with him?

"Yes; but what was it to me-a lad used to court the elements for naught but pleasure? But to him-his heart bound to his people, his head weary with thought and struggle, his love hurt with wounds met in the house of his friends, his shoulders bowed beneath the burden of reproach!"-the young man's voice trembled, and he paused.

Tell me further," said Content, gently.

"The heathen of the forest was kinder to him than were they in the bonds of Christian fellowship; for the non-believer made him welcome when those of his own household of faith sent him forth. It was cold-cold with the very coldness of death-and he might have warmed himself at many hearths had he but respected less the sanctity of his own conscience; he was hungry, and he might have been fed at many tables had he but admitted that some may give and others only take. He wandered, lost in

the dreary sameness of untrodden forest, because he would not follow the leadership of

blind guides!

Archer had risen, and a stern indignation swept his words in a current so impetuous that Content was thrilled by his emotion; he was no longer the somewhat literal youth she had jested with. His eyes were sad with the same sadness that now and then looked forth from those of his leader and friend. Again she perceived that resemblance between them that was rather spiritual than physical.

"But how should they know?--they did not know-" she stammered. His eyes fell upon her with a certain scorn that seemed, for the

moment, to be for her.

"They knew that winter is cold," he said, slowly; "that wild beasts are in the forest; that bread lies not in the path that a wanderer makes through the wilderness; that the endurance of a man unspared and ungrudged in the service of his God, cannot forever withstand cold, hunger and exhaustion. They knew these things, and they sent him forth. And the Lord led him to a pleasant place; but it was from out the shadow of a great weariness."

Content's eyes were full of tears; she shivered in the warm rays of the sun; looking at the patches of snow in the hollows, she felt their

cruel, wet chill.

cruel, wet chill.

"I knew not," she half whispered; "it was a wrong. And you were with him," she said again; "and you saw him. And you have listened to my levity and my reproaches, and you rebuked me not—till now."

Archer's face softened. "And I rebuke thee not now," he said; "I do but tell thee. Yes, I was with him, and what think you? That he "And I rebuke thee railed at the severity of those at whose hands he had received exile? Nay, Mistress Content, from the lips of yonder man who was driven forth a second time to find a home, there fell not a word of bitterness against those whose will it was. They were in his eyes men who stood ever before the Lord, though they saw not all things clearly, even in the light of His presence.

"Truly he is one among many," murmured

Content.

#### JUNE.

From Whiting's "From Dreamland Sent." (Little, Brown & Co.)

Summers may come, and summers may go, But never another will be, I know, So full of greenness and fragrance and bloom, So laden with sunshine and rare perfume, So full of its mystic, intangible lore; Oh, there never was summer like this before!

The summers that wait in the May be full of sadness and full of tears;
The starry nights that are now so fair
May be darkened then by a weight of care,
And the sunshine and song, the greenness and glow,
May change to sorrow and trial, I know.

Ah, love! the summer a year ago
Was full of blossoming grace, I know;
The sunshine sifted through swaying trees,
The lilies beckoned the wandering breeze;
But a voice that is now my music, I know, Had not called through the silences one year go.

So the summers may come, and the summers may ago; Nothing can shadow this golden glow. Never from out my life shall fade This love that is perfect and undismayed; For on through the years we together shall go, Though there never come summer like this below

#### A Gruesome Inspiration.

From Stacpoole's "The Rapin." (Henry Holt & Co.)

"LIGHT a candle, Toto, whilst I build up the fire."

"There are no candles," said Toto, hunting about, match in hand.

"True—I forgot," cried the poet, running into the little bedroom adjoining, and returning with a night-light in a soap-dish; "I used them all to-day."

"Why, you don't burn candles in the daylight?"

"Indeed," said Gaillard, "I do. When I am working I always close the shutters and work by candlelight. My ideas are like moths; daylight dispels them, candlelight attracts them. They are like gray moths, the color of decay; could you look in when I am at work you would perhaps see them flitting about my head—revelling around their maker. Bon Dicu! this bellows is broken. Toto, hand me that bundle of wood. I have written by a night-light. 'Satanitie' was written by a night-light, finished in the first rays of the dawn; that book was written at a single sitting in one night of sheer madness."

"I know; you told me so the other day," replied Toto, whilst Gaillard, his hat still on his head, and his frock-coat hanging round him like a skirt, squatted on his hams before the fire, putting pieces of stick upon it with finger and thumb, whilst the flames leapt up and, assisting the feeble flame of the night light, illuminated the room.

The carpet was blue, the tablecloth red, the curtains maroon rep. Sundry German engravings adorned the walls. One represented an angel in a long chemise, saying, evidently, "Coosh!" to a lion in a den, whilst Daniel, with a head four sizes too large, stood by with an air of attention. Another, Tobias being haled along by an angry-looking seraph to the music of cherubs playing upon wooden harps and seated upon wooden clouds. Another, Ananias dying apparently of strychnine.

In a bookshelf close to the mantel stood a volume of Schopenhauer, Baudelaire's "Fleurs de Mal," and ten volumes by Gaillard—that is to say, two volumes of each of his works; twinlets delicately bound, some gray as grisettes, but "Satanitie," ash-colored, with a black devil dancing on its back.

"Why," said Toto, glancing at Daniel, "do

you keep those odious prints in your room?"

"I don't keep them," said Gaillard, rising with a distracted air, and wiping his fingers on his coat. "My poverty keeps them; they are part of the furniture. Look at the carpet, look at the curtains—what a background! I am like a butterfly pinned to an outrageous tapestry, an indecent arras; they are my cross. I took them up with the rooms. Why do I remain in the rooms? They are haunted, Toto, by a man called Mirmillard. He was an opium-eater, and lived by writing for the Quartier Latin. You know the Quartier Latin? It is a farouche little journal of sixteen pages or so, and appears monthly—or is it quarterly? He blew his brains out just where you are sitting now; the hole was extant in the wall a month ago, but I had it stopped up with plaster. Have I seen his ghost? Many times; it is one of my inspirations, and that is why I endure those terrible curtains, that terrible carpet, and—ah, mon Dieu!—those

terrible pictures. Toto, lend me your cigarette case; I will take three, and make you some coffee; I have all the *implementa* in this cupboard. Fanfoullard is not coming, it seems. No matter; I will seek him to-morrow myself. To-night, perhaps, if we are lucky, we may see Mirmillard. He appeared to me only three nights ago, and the gash in his throat gaped."

"I thought you said he blew his brains out?"

"He completed the work with a razor," said Gaillard, putting the little kettle on to boil.

"But enough of Mirmillard. These cigarettes are very good. Let us talk of flowers."

#### Lawless Readings and Fortune Telling.

From "A Tent of Grace." (Houghton, Mifflin & Co.)

The con-ALL day Saturday she could read. tents of the Herr Pastor's bookshelves were at her disposal. There she rioted to her heart's content. Heaven only knows what that young brain absorbed and brooded over the rest of the week. Kant, Schlegel, Schiller, Heine, Goethe, Bulwer, all were mixed up in a heterogeneous jumble. If the Herr Pastor had known, his fine silky gray hair would have stood on end. He thought she confined herself to the light works of fiction which had been Fritz's own particular property when he was her age, the beautiful Rhine legends, works of chivalry, a careful selection of Sir Walter Scott, books of travel, German history, simple biographies of celebrated men and women. She saved up her kreutzers and commissioned Müller, the carrier, with many vows of secrecy, to buy her a pocket edition of Schiller's poems. She knew them by heart, but she went to bed and rose again with this precious little volume hidden in her breast. The same carrier brought a liberal supply of books and magazines once a fortnight to the Herr and Frau Pastorin from Cologne. That was always a feast day to Jette. Such books as were thought suitable for her, she was allowed to read. Secretly she devoured them all. Once Babbett found "Ernest Maltravers" under her pillow, and suspecting something wrong, threatened to tell the Frau Pastorin. Babbett, good soul, never read anything herself, except the cards, which she punctually consulted every Friday before going to bed. In a moment of good nature, she had confided this secret to Jette, who was a great deal awestruck by this necromancing. Each Friday night of the new moon she reverentially tiptoed into Babbett's room, where, by the dim light of a tallow dip, they crouched like a pair conspirators, breathlessly alert for slightest noise, while they revelled in the dim mysteries of the future. Jette sat shivering at the foot of the bed, wrapped in an old quilt, while Babbett perched on a stool, the cards spread out on a little table before her. Only Minka, who had attached herself to Jette and slept on the rush-bottomed chair near her bed, was the sole witness of these secret conclaves and Minka, of course, could not tell, and would not if she could. Babbett was perfectly well aware that the Herr and Frau Pastorin would have strongly disapproved of these proceedings. So when she threatened Jette with exposure, that young damsel spiritedly promised to retaliate; whereat complete rout and van-quish of the old peasant woman; and Jette was left in undisturbed possession of her lawless readings.

#### IN FRANCONIA NOTCH.

From Whiting's "From Dreamland Sent." (Little, Brown & Co.)

CLOUD-CROWNED mountains and mists of lig Shining fair through the summer night; Starry sheen just trembling through Exhalations of evening dew; The lingering gleam of the golden mist Threaded with amber and amethyst; The lessening light of the summer tide Where mountains and valley are glorified; Clouds of sapphire and clouds of pearl, Ruby-tinted, their wings unfurl. Beautiful temples that seem to wait; Portals of gold at the Heavenly Gate; Topaz and chrystal are the walls, And over them all the glory falls. CLOUD-CROWNED mountains and mists of light

#### Bicycles vs. Horses.

From Miss Pool's "Sand 'n' Bushes." (Stone.)

Yes, we had a pleasant gallop down that lonely road, and the occupants of the two or three carriages we met did not look upon us as if they saw deformed creatures disporting them-

selves in a strange way.

We saw no bicycles until we turned on to a fine, wide highway, a strip of State road that had been macadamized, and that consequently was dear to the heart of the wheelman. Here we began to feel old-fashioned, for here the wheels were coming and going, and young men in sweaters and long wool stockings, lying down with the stomach well over the steering bar, rolled up their eyes pityingly at us who were siting upright, and who were not pedaling for dear life.

It was only a transient strained glance that they could give us from crimson, sweat-grimed faces. They looked as if they were undergoing some kind of torture, but I knew that really they were happy, and were pitying us.

exchanged pity.

Under a pine tree there was a pump and a trough of water. Also under this tree there leanded two bicycles and near them sat two They wore dust-gray short skirts and knickers, their hats were on the ground beside Their faces were red; but a red face, them. even in a girl, is not an infallible sign of unhappiness.

Our horses walked up to the trough and put their noses in, drinking a little, and then splashing their lips about in a sort of luxury. The sun was hot by this time. The girls were eating doughnuts and oranges. We two looked at those two, and we all smiled. Then one of them approached with a folding cup in her hand. She paused at Amabel's side and asked:

"Won't you have a drink yourself? You look so red and tired."

"Thank you," said Amabel, "I am thirsty. And," she added, smiling, "we were just pity-ing you and your friend for looking so red and tired."

She took the cup and drank.

"It must be awful to be bounced up and down like that," said the girl, as she brought

me a cup of water.
"Oh, but," said Amabel, as I drank, "we can keep our legs still. And we don't intend to bounce—much."

"You can't help it," remarked the girl who had not spoken, and who now rose and came forward. She had a half-eaten doughnut in one

brown hand. The other hand she put on The Thane's mane, combing it with her fingers.

"You've got to bounce more or less. awfully unhealthy. I would not ride horseback for a thousand dollars. I should have a weak spine again. I'm wheeling partly for my spine now. Come into the country for my spine. Learned to row for my spine; but I don't row now, I'm biking it-can't do everything; got to have some time to sleep. Why, for more than a year I've just lived for my spine. What do you live for?" glancing up in an apparently incidental way at me as she put the question.

"I? Oh, just now I'm living for a kitten. We must live for something, you know."

#### The Anglo-Saxon 'Lieance.

From " Mr. Dooley in Peace and War." (Small, Maynard & Co.)

"You an' me, Hinnissy, has got to bring on this here Anglo-Saxon 'lieance. An Anglo-Saxon, Hinnissy, is a German that's forgot who was his parents. They're a lot iv thim in this counthry. There must be as manny as two in Boston; they'se wan up in Maine, an' another lives at Bogg's Ferry in New York State, an' dhrives a milk wagon. Mack is an Anglo-Saxon. His folks come fr'm th' County Armagh, an' their naytional Anglo-Saxon hymn is 'O'Donnell Aboo' Teddy Rosenfelt is another Anglo-Saxon. An' I'm an Anglo-Saxon. I'm wan iv th' hottest Anglo-Saxons that iver come out iv Anglo-Saxony. Th' name iv Dooley has been th' proudest Anglo-Saxon name in th'

County Roscommon f'r many years.

"Schwartzmeister is an Anglo-Saxon, but he doesn't know it, an' won't till some wan tells Pether Bowbeen down be th' Frinch church is formin' th' Circle Française Anglo-Saxon club, an' me ol' frind Dominigo that used to boss th' Ar-rchery R-road wagon whin Callaghan had th' street contract will march at th' head iv th' Dago Anglo-Saxons whin th' time There ar-re twinty thousan' Rooshian Jews at a quarther a vote in th' Sivinth Ward; an', ar-rmed with rag-hooks, they'd be a tur-r-ble thing f'r anny inimy iv th' Anglo-Saxon 'lieance to face. Th' Bohemians an' Pole Anglo-Saxons may be a little slow in wakin' up to what th' pa-pers calls our common hurtage, but ye may be sure they'll be all r-right whin they're called on. We've got together an Anglo-Saxon 'lieance in this wa-ard, an' we're goin' to ilict Sarsfield O'Brien prisident, Hugh O'Neill Darsey vice-prisident, Robert Immitt Clancy sicrety an' Wolfe Tone Malone three-asurer. O'Brien'll be a good wan to have. He was in the Fenian r-raid, an' his father carrid a pike in forty-eight. An' he's in th' Clan. Besides, he has a sthrong pull with th' Ancient Ordher iv Anglo-Saxon Hibernyans.

"I tell ye, whin the Clan an' th' Sons iv Swe-

den an' th' Banana Club an' th' Circle Française an' th' Pollacky Benivolent Society an' th' Rooshian Sons of Dinnymite an' th' Benny Brith an' th Coffee Clutch that Schwartzmeister r-runs an' th' Tur-rnd'ye mind an' th' Holland Society an' th' Afro-Americans an' th' other Anglo-Saxons begin f'r to raise their Anglo-Saxon battle-cry, it'll be all day with th' eight or nine people in th' wurruld that has th' misfortune of not being brought up Anglo-Saxons.

#### The Great Ball Game.

THEN came another struggle, and the City men did well, for, at the end of the ninth inning the score stood: University 20, City 20, and there must be another inning. To quote again from the University publication: "Now the work is sharp and short—the friends of the contesting nines at one moment dancing, yelling, throwing their hats for joy, and at the next, with lugubrious faces, sitting in the depths of One tally beats the University, high into the air goes the ball, holding its course close to the foul line toward the left. What a cheer greets the successful batter as he strains every muscle for the home! But other eyes see the ball not at all, they are gazing at the white figure running with inconceivable rapidity across the field. At length the lines of vision of the City men and of the University men meet as the high fly drops into Mayo's hands. Full fifty yards he runs and then takes the ball almost at his feet. What a yell of triumph from the University men! Again it is a tie. Then came the struggle Titanic." And the University journal, even in its exuberance of spirits, did not much exaggerate. ning to follow must be a test.

Then happened, for a longer time than is required for the ball games of to-day, what was excellent to see. The University nine was of the college athletic sort, which simply means clean, well-built young gentlemen who have practised vigorously a certain sport, and who, in a straight-away manner, came into a strange land, free as gladiators, to do their best.

It had been a tie in the ninth inning, a tie in the tenth inning, and in the eleventh all depended at the final stage, after none had been made by the City, upon what the captain of the University nine, who chanced to be then at the bat, did in the great emergency. It was worth while looking at him then. He was nervous, and his hands shook until they picked up the ashen thing, the bat, fit thing for a strong man's hands to clasp. Then he seemed to long. He nervousness. He became another man. He stood poised, keen-eyed, virile, tense, an expectancy of muscle with mind in it, as the ball, a flashing mist, came. He struck once and missed. He seemed dazed a little, but set his teeth. The shadow flitted again, and again he missed. Then his face whitened a little, and the muscles and veins stood out well where the bat was clasped. The pitcher, steady of nerve and fine, sent another twisting, invisible sphere toward the man at the bat, and the man, this thing of muscle and thought, seemed to spring all apart as he struck with the home stroke.

There was a crack as when lightning has struck something. There was an upward-look-ing of all eyes. Upon a great green enclosed sward, men, out fielders, were running like "whiteheads"—whatever a "whitehead" may be. Between the bases other men were running. The audience of thousands was composed no longer of anything in particular. It was a bawl! And, when the roar slackened for a moment, high above everything could be heard the ear-piercing squall of Billy Barnes, and his cry: "This is a red-letter day to be marked with a white stone!" No effort of the experts could save the City. The University had won.

#### Health Food For Our Picnic.

From "The Launching of a Man." (Rand, McNally From Miss Wilkins' "The Jamesons." (Doubleday & McClure Co.)

> MRS. JAMESON did not attempt to gather up the jumbles; she just went on after that remark of hers, opening the rest of the things; there were only one or two more. Then she took the cracker-box which Harry had brought; he had stolen away to put up his horse, and it looked to me very much as if Harriet had stolen away with him, for I could not see her anywhere.

> Mrs. Jameson lifted this cracker-box on to the table and opened it. It was quite full of thick, hard-looking biscuits, or crackers. She laid them in a pile beside the other things; then she took up the basket and opened that. There was another kind of a cracker in that, and two large papers of something. When everything was taken out she pointed at the piles of eatables on the table, and addressed us: "Ladies, attention!" rapping slightly with a spoon at the same time. Her voice was very sweet, with a curious kind of forced sweetness: "Ladies, attention! I wish you to carefully observe the food upon the table before us. I wish you to consider it from the standpoint of wives and mothers of families. There is the food which you have brought, unwholesome, indigestible; there is mine, approved of by the foremost physicians and men of science of the day. For ten years I have had serious trouble with the alimentary canal, and this food has kept me in strength and vigor. Had I attempted to live upon your fresh biscuits, your frosted cakes, your rich pastry, I should be in my grave. One of those biscuits which you see there before you is equal in nourishment to six of your indigestible pies, or every cake upon the table. The great cause of the insanity and dyspepsia so prevalent among the rural classes is rich pie and cake. I feel it my duty to warn you. I hope, ladies, that you will consider carefully what I have said."

> With that, Mrs. Jameson withdrew herself a little way and sat down under a tree on a cushion which had been brought in the carryall. We looked at one another, but we did not say

anything for a few minutes.

Finally, Mrs. White, who is very goodnatured, remarked that she supposed that she meant well, and she had better put her pies back in the basket or they would dry up. We all began putting back the things which Mrs. Jameson had taken out, except the broken jumbles, and were very quiet. However, we could not help feeling astonished and aggrieved at what Mrs. Jameson had said about the insanity and dyspepsia in our village, since we could scarcely remember one case of insanity, and very few of us had to be in the least careful as to what we ate. Mrs. Peter Jones did say in a whisper that if Mrs. Jame-Mrs. Peter son had had dyspepsia ten years on those hard biscuits it was more than any of us had had on We left the biscuits, and our cake and pie. the two paper packages which Mrs. Jameson had brought, in a heap on the table just where she had put them.

After we had replaced the baskets we all scattered about, trying to enjoy ourselves in the sweet pine woods, but it was hard work, we were so much disturbed by what had happened. We wondered uneasily, too, what Flora Clark would say about her jumbles.

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#### The Maid Meets the Water Spirit.

From " The Sunken Bell." (Russell.) Scene: A fir-clad glade in the mountains.

RAUTENDELEIN.

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Thou buzzing, golden wight—whence com'st thou here?
Thou sipper of sweets, thou little wax-maker!
Nay! Tease me not, thou sun-born good-for-naught!
Dost hear?... Begone!...'Tis time I combed my hair
With Granny's golden comb. Should I delay,
She'll scold me when she comes. Begone, I say!
What?... Loit'ring still?... Away—away with thee!
Am I a rose-bush?... Are my lips a rose?
Off to the wood with thee, beyond the brook!
There, there, my pretty bee, bloom cowslips fair,
And crocuses, and violets—thou canst suck
Thy fill of them. Dost think I jest? No. No.
Quick! Get thee home. Thou'rt not in favor here.
Thou knowest, Granny owes thee many a grudge
For furnishing the Church with altar-lights.
Come! Must I speak again? Go not too far!
Hey!... Chimney! Puff some smoke across the glade,
To drive away this naughty, wilful bee. To drive away this naughty, wilful bee.

Ho! Gander, hurry, hurry! ... Scurry, scurry!

Away! Away! [Bee flies off.] ... At last! ...

[RAUTENDELEIN combs her hair quietly for a moment or two. Then, leaning over the well, she calls down.]

Hey! Nickelmann! [Pause.]

He does not hear me. Well-I'll sing to myself.

Where do I come from?... Whither go?
Tell me—I long to know!
Did I grow as the birds of the woodland gay?
Am I a fay?
Who asks the sweet flower
That blooms in the dell,
And brightens the bower

I had brightens the bower,

Its tale to tell?

Yet, oft, as I sit, by my well, alone,
I sigh for the mother I ne'er have known.

But my weird I must dree-And I'm fair to see—

And I'm fair to see—
Agolden-haired maid of the forest free! [Pause: She calls.]
Hey! Nickelmann! Come up! 'Tis lonely here.
Granny's gone gathering fir-apples. I'm dull—
So dull... Wilt keep me company and tell
Me tales? Why then, to-night, perhaps... as a reward...

Me tales? Why then, to-night, perhaps.. as a reward..

I'll creep in some farmer's yard and steal
A big, black, cock for thee!... Ah, here he comes!
The silver bubbles to the surface mount!
If he should bob up now, the glass he'd break,
That such bright answer to my nod doth make.

[Admiring her reflection in the well.]
Godden to thee, my sweet maid o' the well!
Thy name?... Rautendelein?... Indeed! I see—
Thou'rt jealous of my beauty. Look at me.
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Thou'rt jealous of my beauty. Look at me. For I, not thou, Rautendelein should be.
What didst thou answer! Didst thou dare to point Thy finger at thy soft twin-breasts. Nay, nay. I'm fairer; fair as Freya. Not for naught My hair was spun out of the sunbeams red, To shine, in golden glory, even as the sun Shines up at us, at noon, from out a lake.
Aha! Thou spread'st thy tresses, like a net,

Ana! I hou spread'st thy tresses, like a net,

All fiery-scarlet, set to catch the fishes!

Thou poor, vain, foolish trull... There! Catch this stone.

[Throwing pebble down the well and disturbing the reflection.]

Thy hour is ended. Now—I'm fair alone! [Calling.]

Ho! Nickelmann! Come—help me pass the time!

[The Nickelmann, a water-spirit, half emerges from the well, and flops over the edge. He is streaming with water. Weeds cling to his head. He snorts like a seal, and his eyes blink as if the daylight hurt them.]

He's here! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! How dreadfully plain He is!.. Didst thou not hear me call! Dear, dear—It makes one's flesh creep but to know him near!

It makes one's flesh creep but to know him near!

THE NICKELMANN [croaking].

Brekekekex!

RAUTENDELEIN [mocking].

Brekekekex! Ay, ay—
It smells of springtide. Well, is that so strange?
Why—every lizard, mole, and worm, and mouse—
The veriest water-rat—had scented that. The quail. the hare, the trout, the fly, the weeds, Had told thee Spring was here.

THE NICKELMANN [touchily.]

Brekekekx!
Be not too nosey-wise. Dost understand?
Thou ape, thou midge, thou tomtit, irk me not!
I say, beware!...So, Quorax! Quack! Quack! Quack

RAUTENDELEIN. If Master Uncle's cross to-day, I'll leave him all alone to play. And I'll go dance a ring-a-round. Partners a-plenty, I'll be bound, For pretty maidens may be found.

#### "How Happy Could I Be With Either."

From Locke's "Idols." (Lane.)

THIS after-dinner scene was a familiar one. She had grown to regard it as an essential in her scheme of life, like sleep and food and raiment.

Of the two men, one was her husband, Gerard Merriam; the other, his life-long, intimate friend. They had chummed together at school, at the University; had joined the same Inn of Court, and had been called to the bar together; and in spite of wide divergence of taste and character, had remained in close relationship

to the present day.

It was on the homeward voyage, after a Long Vacation trip to India, that they had met Irene, a lonely girl returning from the grave of a father whose death-bed she had gone out too late to witness. Both men fell in love with her. The rivalry becoming mutually obvious, each gave the other a fair field. The wooing continued in London till success fell upon Gerard. On his meeting with Irene after her marriage, the other, Hugh Colman, bowed low over her hand, kissed it and put a loyal friendship at her service. A proud bearing, emphasized by steel-blue eyes and a supercilious up-sweep of a heavy auburn moustache, gave distinction to the action. He had rather a courtly way of do-ing things. The tears started to her eyes. She had been greatly drawn to him before, and pitied him out of her girlish heart for having lost in his rivalry; but from that moment she loved him with a pure friendship, and made it a dear object of her life to intensify the brotherly affection between the two men. In fact she had raised her conception of this Orestes and Pylades relationship to a kind of cult, of which she herself was the devoted and impassioned priestess. During the six years of her married life Hugh had dined with them at least once a week. Lately he had taken a flat in their immediate neighborhood, and his visits had grown more frequent. Gerard, being a man of few words, had not said much to evince his gratification, but Irene had sounded the note of welcome loud enough for the two.

As she lay back in her chair watching them, a spice of admiration flavored her thoughts. Both were men of fine physique. Gerard was six feet two, of huge frame, with deep, sloping shoulders indicative of great strength. Hugh, of somewhat slighter build, better proportioned, holding his head erect on square shoulders; finer, too, of face than Gerard, who had heavy features, eyes of uncertain blue and a reddish The one face moustache cut short at the ends. gave the impression of a man proudly scornful, quick in quarrel, with a Celtic strain of sensitiveness; the other that of a man slow in method, determined of purpose, shy of demonstrationone suggesting rather than revealing strength -a dangerous face to trust. Of the two, Hugh was pre-eminently the man more likely, on first sight, to win a woman's heart in a joint contest. Even Gerard himself had wondered at his suc-When he questioned his wife, she answered, lifting glorious eyes of faith, "Because you are you." And that was an end of the matter. But perhaps it was the suggestion of reserved strength in the man that had influenced her from the first in his favor, and an intuition, such as so many women have trusted like a divine revelation, that in a great crisis of life the one would be living rock and the other shift-

ing sand.

#### The Art of Transplanting.

From Jekyll's "Wood and Garden." (Longmans, Green & Co.)

THE grand way to learn, in gardening as in all things else, is to wish to learn and to be determined to find out-not to think that any one person can wave a wand and give the power and knowledge. And there will be plenty of mistakes, and there must be, just as children must pass through the usual childish complaints. And some people make the mistake of trying to begin at the end, and of using recklessly what may want the utmost caution; such, for instance, as strong chemical manures.

Some ladies asked me why their plants had They had got it from the very best place, and they were sure they had done their very best for it, and-there it was, dead. I asked what it was, and how they had treated it. It was some ordinary border plant, whose identity I now forget; they had made a nice hole with their new trowel, and for its sole benefit they had bought a tin of Concentrated Fertilizer. This they had emptied in the hole, put in the plant, and covered it up and given it lots of water, and—it had died! And yet these were the best and kindest of women, who would never have dreamed of feeding a new born infant on beefsteaks and raw brandy. But they learned their lesson well, and at once saw the sense when I pointed out that a plant with naked roots just taken out of the ground or a pot, removed from one feeding-place and not yet at home in another, or still more, after a journey, with the roots only wrapped in a little damp moss and paper, had its feeding power suspended for a time, and was in the position of a helpless invalid. All that could be done for it then was a little bland nutriment of weak slops and careful nursing; if the planting took place in the summer it would want shading and only very gentle watering, until firm root-hold was secured and root-appetite became active, and that in rich and well-prepared garden ground such as theirs, strong, artificial manure was in any case superfluous.

When the earliest ignorances are overcome, it becomes much easier to help and advise, because there is more common ground to stand In my own case, from quite a small child, I had always seen gardening going on, though not of a very interesting kind. Nothing much was thought of but bedding plants, and there was a rather large space on each side of the house for these, one on gravel and one on turf. But I had my own little garden in a nook beyond the shrubbery, with a seat shaded by a Boursault elegans rose, which I thought then, and still think, one of the loveliest of its kind. But my first knowledge of hardy plants came through wild ones. Some one gave me that excellent book, the Rev. C. A. Johns' "Flowers of the Field." For many years I had no one to advise me (I was still quite small) how to use the book, or how to get to know (though it stared me in the face) how the plants were in large related families, and I had not the sense to do it for myself, nor to learn the introductory botanical part, which would have saved me much trouble afterwards; but when I brought home my flowers I would take them one by one and just turn over the pages till I came to the picture that looked something like. But in this way I got a knowledge of individuals, and after-

wards the idea of broad classification and relationship of genera to species may have come all the easier. I always think of that book as the most precious gift I ever received.

#### Be Adventurous and You Will Be Happy.

From Grant Allen's "Miss Cayley's Adventures." (Putnam.)

AT table d'hôte my new maxim was amply justified. A young man of ample girth and most prosperous exterior happened to sit next He had a wife with him, so I judged it safe to launch in conversation. We soon found out that he was the millionaire editor of a great London daily with many more strings to his journalistic bow. I mentioned casually that we thought of going for the winter to Egypt. He pricked his ears up, but at the same time he said nothing. After dinner we adjourned to the cosy salon. I talked to him and his wife; and somehow that evening the devil entered into me. I am subject to devils. I hasten to add they are wild ones. I had one of my reckless moods just then, however, and I reeled off rattling stories of our various adventures. Mr. Elworthy believed in youth and audacity. I could see I interested him. The more he was amused the more reckless I became. "That's bright," he said at last, when I told him the tale of our amateur exploits in the Vale of Manitous. "That would make a good article."

"Yes," I answered with bravado, determined to strike while the iron was hot, "what the Daily Telephone lacks is just one enlivening touch of feminine brightness."

He smiled. "What is your forte?" he inquired.

"My forte," I answered, "is to go where I choose, and write what I like about it."

He smiled again. "And a very new departure in journalism, too! A roving commission! Have you ever tried your hand at writing?"

Had I ever tried! It was the ambition of my life to see myself in print; though, hitherto it had been ineffectual.

"I have written a few sketches," I answered, with becoming modesty. As a matter of fact our office bulged with my unpublished manuscripts. "Could you let me see them?" he asked.

I assented with inner joy, but outer reluc-tance. "If you wish it," I murmured, "but—you must be very lenient!"

Though I had not told Elsie, the truth of the matter was I had just then conceived an idea for a novel-my magnum opus-the setting of which compelled Egyptian color; and I was therefore dying to get to Egypt, if chance so willed it. I accordingly submitted a few of my picked manuscripts to Mr. Elworthy, in fear and trembling. He read them, cruel man, before my very eyes; I sat and waited, twiddling my thumbs; demure, but apprehensive.

When he had finished, he laid them down.
"Racy!" he said. "Racy! I should like "Racy!" he said. "Racy! I should lik to print these three"—selecting them out-

"at our usual rate of pay per thousand."
"Your are very kind"—but the room reeled

Not at all. Will you undertake to let us have three descriptive articles a week on Cairo, the Nile, Syria and India, running to about two thousand words apiece, at three guineas a thou-

The very next day everything was arranged.

#### Palermo Illuminated for a Socialist!

From Lagerlöf's "The Miracles of Antichrist." (Little, Brown & Co.)

Bosco walks across the deck, and asks the sailors if they do not see the golden cloud on the horizon.

"That is Palermo," say the seamen. "There is always a bright light floating over it at night."

It cannot be anything that concerns him. He tries to persuade himself that nothing is being done for him. He can hardly expect every one all at once to have become socialists.

But after a while he thinks: "Still there must be something unusual going on. All the sailors are gathering forward at the bow."
"Palermo is burning," say the seamen.

Yes, that is what it must be. It is because he has suffered so terribly that he expects something should be done for him.

Then the sailors see the fires on the moun-

It cannot be a conflagration. It must be some saint's day. They ask one another what day it is.

He, too, tries to believe that it is some such thing. He asks his mother if it is a feast-day. They have so many of them.

They come nearer and nearer. The thundering sound of the festival in the great city meets them.

"All Palermo is singing and playing tonight," says one.

"A telegram must have come of a victory in Africa," says another.

in order not to see anything. He will not de-

No one has a thought that it can be for his sake. He goes and places himself at the stern

ceive himself with false hopes. Would all Palermo be illuminated for a poor socialist?

Then his mother comes and fetches him. "Do not stand there! Come and see Palermo! It must be a king who is coming there to-day. Come and look at Palermo!"

He considers a moment. No, he does not think that any king is visiting Sicily just now. But he cannot dare to think, when no one else,

not even his mother-

All at once every one on the steamer gives a loud cry. It sounds almost like a cry of distress. A big cutter has steered right down on them and now glides along by the steamer's side.

The cutter is all flowers and lights; over the railing hang red and white silken draperies, everybody on board is dressed in red and white. Bosco stands on the steamer and looks to see what that beautiful messenger brings. Then the sail turns, and on its white surface shines to meet him: "Long live Bosco!"

It is his name. Not a saint's, not a king's, not the victorious general's! The homage is for no other on the steamer. His name, his name!

The cutter sends up some rockets; a whole cloud of stars rain down, and then it is gone.

He enters the harbor, and there is jubilation

He enters the harbor, and there is jubilation and enthusiasm and cheering and adoration. People say: "We do not know how he will be able to live through it."

But as soon as he realizes the homage, he feels that he does not at all deserve it. He would like to fall on his knees before those hundred and fifty thousand people who pay him homage and pray to them for forgiveness that he is so powerless, that he has done nothing for them.



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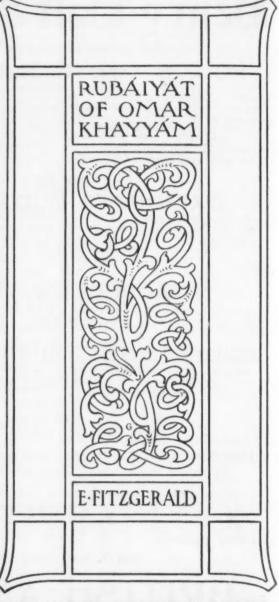
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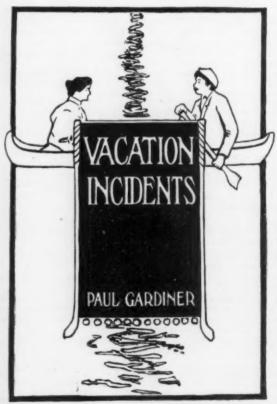
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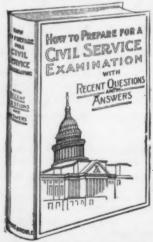
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